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CIA Text Foreign Office Communique (EMBTEL 494) follows:

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"Government, consistent with its international obligations are respectful of continental solidarity, gave favorable Peruvian vote to proposal which was unanimously approved in COAST acting as Provisional Organ of Consultation, purpose of which was remove grave threat for hemispheric security posed by present Soviet penetration Cuba. Government is following closely development of events and is studying cooperation with common objective of continent although no decision has yet been taken on possible participation of Peruvian military or naval forces in Caribbean area."

Significantly, all newspapers buried communique on second or following pages and all but EXPRESO used small headline. EXPRESO however carried item under large cap headline emphasizing no decision yet taken and in text playing down first part of statement.

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